

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, March 11, 2014 Council Session

Item E-4

Public Hearing on Vacating the Street and Alley Right-of-Way and Easements - Groff Street, Alley in Block 9, and Easements all within Joehnck's Addition to the City of Grand Island

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Council Agenda Memo

From:	Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director Stacy Nonhof, Assistant City Attorney
Meeting:	March 11, 2014
Subject:	Ordinance # 9474 - Vacation of Part of Groff Street, the Alley in Block Nine, and Easements within Joehnck's Addition to the City of Grand Island
Item #'s:	E-4 & F-1
Presenter(s):	Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Background

The Burdick Station Power Plant campus is located on the property between Cherry Street and the BNSF Railroad. The area houses the Power Plant and related substations, the Phelps Control Center, and material storage areas for the Electric Department.

The Utilities Department needs to vacate a part of Groff Street, the alley in Block Nine (9), and utility easements all within the referenced property being a part of Joehnck's Addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska.

Attached are two maps for reference.

Discussion

The property is wholly owned by the City and the areas requested to be vacated are maintained for the operation of the Burdick Station Power Plant and Control Center's operations. The entire area is restricted from public access in conformance with federal regulations. Vacation of the various tracts will clean up abnormalities in the property rights and allow for proper use, operations and maintenance of the lands.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

- 1. Make a motion to approve
- 2. Refer the issue to a Committee
- 3. Postpone the issue to future date
- 4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve Ordinance No. 9474, to vacate part of Groff Street, the alley in Block Nine (9), and easements all within Joehnck's Addition to the City of Grand Island.

Sample Motion

Move to approve Ordinance No. 9474, to vacate part of Groff Street, the alley in Block Nine (9), and easements all within Joehnck's Addition to the City of Grand Island, Hall County, Nebraska.



